

Amendments to the Specification

Please amend the paragraph at page 4, line 27 as follows:

Fig. 1 presents the nucleotide sequence of the RNA component of human telomerase (SEQ ID NO:29) (nucleotides 266-716 of SEQ ID NO:1). The boxed areas, from nucleotides ~~137-193~~ 137-196, 290-319 and 350-380, indicate regions of hTR accessible in the telomerase holoenzyme. Antisense molecules, indicated by numbers below the hTR sequence, have sequences complementary to the hTR sequence indicated by the arrows.